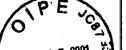


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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to initial review, please amend the above-identified patent application as set forth

below:

IN THE TITLE:

Please strike the present title and substitute the following therefore:

--PERIODIC PATTERNS AND TECHNIQUE TO CONTROL MISALIGNMENT--

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